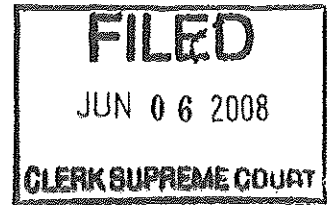


IN THE SUPREME COURT OF IOWA

ORDER



**REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
TO THE RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE AND THE RULES OF CIVIL
PROCEDURE PERTAINING TO CERTIORARI**

For the past two years, an internal committee of this court has been studying revisions to the rules of appellate procedure. The primary purpose of this study was to modernize and streamline the rules of appellate procedure to advance the timely processing of appeals. The court also believed it was important to update the appellate rules prior to implementation of an electronic document management system in the appellate courts. Once the committee had completed an initial draft of the proposed rules, the court solicited and received feedback from the Iowa Court of Appeals, the Iowa Attorney General, the State Appellate Defender and the appellate practice committee of the Iowa State Bar Association. The court agreed with most of the comments received and revised the proposal accordingly. The court now seeks public comment on the proposed rules.

Copies of the proposed rules, as well as an outline summarizing the revisions and a table showing the current rules with corresponding provisions in the proposed rules can be found on the Judicial Branch website at—www.judicial.state.ia.us/Supreme_Court/Orders/. In addition, copies of the proposed rules and committee commentary are available at the office of the Clerk of the Supreme Court.

Any interested organization, agency, or person may submit comments by August 6, 2008. Comments may be e-mailed to **rules.comment@jb.state.ia.us**

and must state "**Appellate Rules**" in the subject line of the e-mail. Comments should be sent as an attachment to the e-mail in Microsoft Word format. Comments about rules and forms shall refer to the specific page and line numbers to which the comments are directed. Comments regarding tables shall refer to the specific table, row and column to which the comments are directed. Comments may also be mailed to the Clerk of the Supreme Court, 1111 East Court Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa, 50319.

Dated this 6th day of June, 2008.

THE SUPREME COURT OF IOWA

By Marsha Ternus
Marsha Ternus, Chief Justice